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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed on March 12, 2004 and is being filed within six months thereof with a request for a three month extension of time. Note that September 12, 2004 falls on a Sunday. The present amendment is being filed in accordance with revised rule 37 CFR 1.121. Thus, marked-up amendments to the claims and/or specification are provided and no clean versions of the amendments are provided.